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HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1905.

Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, the 15th and 16th February, 1905, at 10 A.M. each day, at H.M. NAVAL YARD, SUNDRY NAVAL, VICTUALLING, OBSOLETE AND CONDEMNED STORES, Comprising:—

BOAT'S ENGINES, WILLAN'S ELECTRIC LIGHT ENGINE, ELECTRIC CABLE, MACHINES VENTILATING AND DRILLING, LATHE, BRASS, COPPER, IRON, MANGANESE, BRONZE, PAPER, STUFF, CANVAS, FURNITURE, BLANKETS, PROVISIONS, IMPLEMENTS, &c.

TERMS OF SALE:—As customary. HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers. Hongkong, 7th February, 1905. [221]

Intimations.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Vaux Road, on FRIDAY, 10th February, 1905, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 1st to 11th February, 1905, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 26th January, 1905. [180]

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Pender's Street, at 12.30 P.M., on MONDAY, 13th February, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1904, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 13th February, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATTHEW & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 28th January, 1905. [187]

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on TUESDAY, the 14th February, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of a Director, and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 31st January to the 14th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary. Hongkong, 24th January, 1905. [166]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the eighteenth day of February, 1905, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1904.

By Order of the Court of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 31st January, 1905. [166]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the fourth, to the eighteenth day of February, 1905 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 31st January, 1905. [167]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 20th February, 1905, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 20th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE, Secretary. Hongkong, 26th January, 1905. [177]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after this date interest at the rate of 8% per annum will be charged upon all Calls in respect of SHARES NOT FULLY PAID UP from the day appointed for Payment of such Calls, namely 3rd January, 1905.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 11th January, 1905. [122]

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE RELIEF OF THE DISTRESSED.

INTERESTING LEGISLATION CONTEMPLATED.

[Continued from page 5.]

Hon. F. H. May then moved that the meeting adopt the following resolution: "That this Society should adopt the scheme for dealing with deserving, distressed seamen, set out in the letter from His Excellency the Governor under date of the 28th January, to the President of this Society." He said the scheme had a two-fold object. The first was to enable the Society to deal effectively with a certain class of those who applied to it for assistance—a class of seamen, and it was proposed that these cases should be investigated by competent authorities at the Sailors' Home. The second object was to relieve the Society of the expense entailed by dealing with these cases, by inviting individual members of the Society, or outsiders, to become guarantors to the guarantee fund. That was really the case in a nutshell. He might say at once to relieve the minds of those who might think that the adoption of such a scheme would attract to their shores a larger number of undesirable, that the Governor had in contemplation fresh legislation to make it more difficult for destitutes to be dumped in Hongkong than it was at present. (Applause). No matter how closely they wove the meshes there would always be loop-holes, and there was no doubt that, however tight they made the law, cases of destitution would crop up. Where seamen were concerned, he thought the members of the Society would agree with him, that it was desirable that they should be dealt with by their authorities who were accustomed to deal with them. It therefore seemed to him that the scheme was a good one. It would assist the Society, and he did not think there was any fear that it would attract more destitutes to their shores.

Mr. E. A. Hewett seconded, and said, he understood before he came to the meeting that they would probably be asked to express an opinion on the scheme as proposed by the Governor. He must confess that he had been somewhat taken by surprise after hearing the remarks of the Chairman. He was very glad to hear Mr. May's resolution, and he thought, if it was put forward, the result would be good. No doubt the ladies of the Benevolent Society would dispose of the funds to the best advantage, and if it was proposed to form a guarantee fund for the help of deserving seamen, he was sure he heartily supported it. He had had nearly thirty years experience of the Merchant Shipping Act, and was also well acquainted with the law relating to vagrancy and he looked forward to seeing the legislation foreshadowed by Mr. May brought out, and threshed. The cases of deserving seamen becoming destitute were very rare, and he very much doubted whether one in a hundred or even a thousand of the so-called "deserving seamen" who passed through Hongkong were deserving. He was sure that no man who guaranteed \$50 a head for the relief of real deserving seamen would regard the money as wasted. He shared Mr. May's belief that the adoption of the resolution would not make for the encouragement of "wasters."

Hon. Mr. Gershom Stewart thought that His Excellency, by his letter, had focussed public opinion on this matter. Twenty or thirty years ago, a distressed white man on the streets of Hongkong was practically unknown. Under the new conditions of affairs they had increased rapidly and with the growing relations between the East and the West they were likely to increase further in the future. In these cases of emergency the matter could be arranged in ten minutes. They would get guarantors without any difficulty. Thus the scheme seemed to him to touch only at the fringe of a very wide question. It seemed to him that one man needed as much assistance when he was hungry as another. The distressed British seaman was provided for by the Common Law. There was no provision in this scheme for distressed landmen. The fund therefore resolved itself into a relief fund for foreign sailors. Without wishing to be uncharitable or to say that charity begins at home, he thought it was not unreasonable in this colony for each nation to be called upon to support its own people when they were in distress. Until they had the details of the legislation spoken of by the Colonial Secretary they were wandering in the dark and it seemed to him that this community had reasonable cause to protest against shipping companies for bringing these men into the Colony and the Government for receiving them. He anticipated with great pleasure some legislation against the importation of undesirable. A point which was overlooked in this matter was that the Sailors' Home, which was at present occupied by respectable men, would run a chance of losing its present high name. He thought it was quite possible that the Sailors' Home might suffer. There were glaring instances in which foreigners were thrown upon this Colony. Any visiting justice could tell them that there were men of every nationality whom the British taxpayer of this Colony had to maintain from year to year. It had come to his knowledge that an American sailor was lately left here sick and his Consul declined to assist him. It seemed to him that the right thing for the Government was by diplomatic means to get consular instructions in this respect extended. He was perfectly convinced that there was no man in the world who would hate more to see his countrymen being maintained by foreigners than an American. As he walked over the Peak the other day he saw a magnificent palace being erected, the legacy of some great philanthropist in this Colony, and he wondered if that could not be used in some way. It was a matter of common knowledge that there were funds for the purpose, provided a recent judgment given here had not been appealed against and set aside. A little time ago the justice recommended that a public-house license be declined, but he was sorry to see that the

license was afterwards granted without the justice being consulted. The rejection of the said license was a "red herring" to reduce temptation was to be regretted. The Lord Bishop, Mr. France and others were also endeavouring to do all they could to found a Sailors' Rest House under the auspices of the Church of England. Such institutions ought to merit the entire support of the community, as the men who patronized them were well looked after, and the temptation to drink was taken away. He quite agreed that it was a very bad thing for a man to go into the House of Detention along with the incorrigible, idlers and vagabonds. He supported the scheme and was quite prepared to be one of the guarantors, but it was in the hope that legislation would be made to meet the ends in view and that they would in the future be able to rejoice under the old maxim that prevention is better than cure. If there was any country in the world that ought to look after its own people it was the United States of America, which had great resources and the legislators of which were so much against poverty stricken people getting into their country. This formed a fair basis for the request that they look after their own people. (Applause). This proposal by Mr. May practically overshadowed the interests of the Benevolent Society for, looking at the accounts, there was no doubt that the Society was going down. He thought the managers of the Society should consider very carefully before they took upon their shoulders permanent charges like the upkeep of pauper children. The Society was formed as an emergency society and he thought it would be a pity if it tied itself by heavy permanent charges such as he had mentioned. It appeared to him that such a question as was under consideration was one which would be better managed by men. With these remarks, he supported this scheme as merely a temporary stopgap in view of the legislation to come. (Applause).

The Bishop of Hongkong said he considered the scheme was a good one as a temporary measure, but a bad scheme if it had to be considered as a permanent measure. It seemed not to discourage the class, they had described as "wasters," but on the other hand to encourage them. Mr. May had told them that legislation was in view to discourage the dumping of undesirable, and he would like to have seen this legislation before they said anything about this scheme. His idea was that the scheme ought not to put on private individuals a responsibility which belonged to the whole community. He did not see that this should be treated as a matter of private charity, any more than the question of the unemployed at home. There both the Imperial Government and the Municipal Councils had taken the matter up. He maintained that in this case the Government ought to take the matter up. Though they might get a good many guarantors now, he doubted if they would keep it up, year in, and year out. They would get tired of it. It was very kind of the Superintendent of the Sailors' Home to undertake to examine all these cases, and for the Rev. Mr. France to undertake the distribution of the relief. It was very kind indeed; but Mr. France, who was one of the hardest worked men in the Colony did not come out to Hongkong to act as a sort of pauper inspector to the Government and inquire whether seamen were deserving or not. They all paid heavy rates and taxes, and he failed to see why the Government should not find a special Department to do this work if necessary. They had a Protector of Chinese, whom he thought well able to look after themselves, and that being so, was it too much to ask the Government to give them a Protector of Britishers? In conclusion, the Bishop supported the resolution, but only as a temporary measure, and expressed his firm belief that the matter was one for the Government to take up, rather than private individuals.

Hon. Mr. May said that Mr. Stewart was afraid that the Sailors' Home would be lowered in tone by the admission into it of foreign seamen. Now as a matter of fact about 80 per cent of the inmates were foreign seamen. The scheme was so far a charitable one. He did not think it could be said that the Government had ever shirked its responsibilities in the past. If the evil grew so great that it had to be taken in hand by a Government Department, he had no doubt it would be so taken.

The Bishop of Hongkong then moved "that this meeting approves of the scheme only on the understanding that it is intended as a temporary measure adopted for a period not exceeding one year, in order to give the Government time to formulate a permanent scheme for meeting the difficulty."

Hon. Mr. Gershom Stewart seconded, and on the motion being put to the meeting was carried, thus forming a rider to the original resolution. The proceedings then terminated.

COMMERCIAL.

TODAY'S EXCHANGE.

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London—Bank T.T.	111
Do. demand	111 9/16
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Germany—Bank T.T.	200
India T.T.	140
Do. demand	140
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	Nominal
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Yara—Bank T.T.	107
4 months' sight L/C.	111 1/2
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	49
4 months' sight do.	49
30 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne	240
4 months' sight France	240
6 months' sight do.	240
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Bar Silver	28
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THE VICTORIA SCHOOL AT TANG LUNG-CHAU, for Children of EUROPEAN BRITISH SUBJECTS, will be OPENED on March 20th, 1905.

The School will be open to Children of both sexes, but Girls over 12 years of age will not be admitted. For further particulars, application should be made to the Education Department.

EDWARD A. IRVING, Insp. of Schools. Hongkong, 7th February, 1905. [219]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LTD., beg to notify the Public that the PRICE OF GAS will be REDUCED from \$3.50 to \$3.00 per 1,000 cubic feet as from the 1st February, 1905.

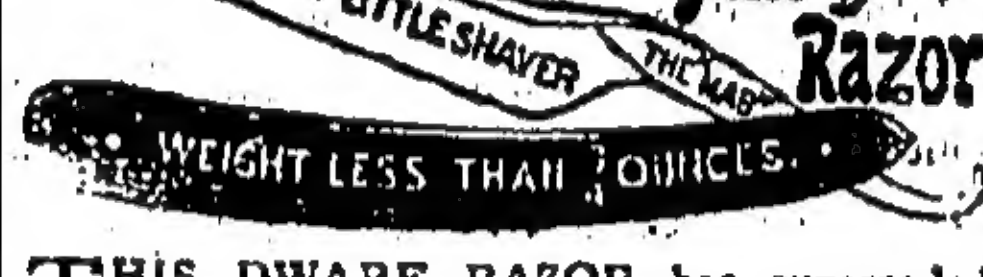
GEORGE CURRY, Local Secretary. Hongkong, 1st February, 1905. [198]

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA are prepared, during suspension of their Trans-Pacific Service and until further notice, to BOOK CARGO AND ISSUE BILLS OF LADING to SEATTLE, WASH., VICTORIA, B.C., and PACIFIC COAST PORTS, also to OVERLAND POINTS in the UNITED STATES and CANADA in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY FROM SEATTLE, as hitherto, by the Steamers of the NORTHERN PACIFIC S. S. Co., BOSTON STEAMSHIP AND TOWBOAT Co., OCEAN S. S. Co. and CHINA MUTUAL S. S. Co.

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B. MORI, Acting Manager. Hongkong, 24th January, 1905. [68]



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For particulars and terms, apply to—HOWARD & Co. Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [63]

ESPECIAL OLD TOM GIN. Marshall and Elvy's

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904. [30]

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Hongkong, 7th January, 1905. [31]

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White Tawny, (White Label)	" " " 12.00
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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1904.

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five cents.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1905.

THE HEALTH OF THE COLONY.

Those members of the Press in several
Oriental ports who have occasionally allowed
themselves to become hysterical over the
appearance of various forms of communicable
disease in Hongkong, will be surprised,
perhaps, to learn that in this "perennial pest
port of the Far East, the natal place of plague,
Asiatic cholera, small-pox, and every other
zymotic ill that Chinese flesh is heir to,"
disease is by no means so prevalent as
they would lead us to believe. This inter-
esting fact is brought to notice to-day by
the publication of a return showing the
number of cases of communicable diseases
which have been notified as occurring in
the Colony during the week ended the 4th
inst. It is by far the blackest record that
has been issued for many months, and really
places the Colony in a much worse position
than is usually the case during the period
when epidemic plague is supposed to exist.
During the seven days, ended Saturday
last, four Chinese died of plague, and as
but two cases have occurred since, the
number on record since the beginning of
the year is only fifteen. Small-pox has in-
creased slightly, though nothing like to
such dimensions as some alarmists try
to make out. During the week there
were seven cases all told two of which
had a fatal termination. Five of the
sufferers were among the European commu-
nity; one was a Chinese case and the
other was that of a Filipino. We are not told
whether either of these cases was imported
from Shanghai, where, by the way, according
to some of the Northern journals, an epidemic
of small-pox at present exists, and in the
absence of such information we must arrive
at the happy conclusion that not even a
"trivial case" has been brought in steamers
from the Model Settlement. Diphtheria, re-
lapsing fever and scarlet fever each add one
case to the returns, making for the week, in a
Colony with a population numbering close
upon three hundred thousand inhabitants,
fourteen cases of communicable diseases
with but six deaths, four of which were from
plague—the most fatal disease found in
Hongkong. Those who understand so
thoroughly the loving interest of Britishers
resident away from the Colony in our welfare,
will smile at the frequent agitated inquiries
as to the health of Hongkong and its cosmo-
politan community.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

INVITATIONS have been issued for a ball to be
given by His Excellency the Governor, at
Government House, on the 22nd inst.

A MARRIAGE has been arranged, and will
shortly take place, between Mr. O. D. Thom-
son, solicitor, and Miss Frances Alice Lave.

IN consequence of a case of plague occurring
in the coolie quarters at Mount Austin Bar-
racks members of the West Kents have come
down to the lower level during the necessary
cleansing and disinfecting operations.

A SAMBAN woman at the Magistracy this
morning was asked, by Mr. Gompertz, why
she gave a wrong name when she was charged
with carrying excess passengers. She said it
was an accident! Asked if she often met with
these "accidents," the dame replied "No! but
it is now the Chinese New Year!" Fined \$2
for four days.

IN reply to messages from the *Daily Chronicle*,
informing them of the fall of Fort Arthur,
telegrams were received from Generals Lord
Roberts, Wolseley, and Baden-Powell, in which
admiration is expressed for the fine fighting
qualities shown both by Russians and Japanese.
The telegrams are as follows:—"It has been a
magnificent defence. What a splendid fellow
he is to be sure! How all the world must
admire him! 'Roberts'—'Many thanks for
valuable information. Regret I must express
no public opinion beyond praise of Stoessel's
splendid defence, admiration of Russian courage,
and indomitable pluck and determination
of Japanese.'—'General Stoessel's
is an honourable surrender, after a splendid
defence.'—'Baden-Powell."

THE boxing contests at Kowloon for the
championship of the Fleet commence to-mor-
row evening, and will be continued on Friday
and Saturday evenings. There is a very large
list of entries, and the sport is certain to be
capital.

WITH reference to the murderous assault
made upon Chinese constable Fan Ching, in
the New Territory on the 31st ult., we learn
that several arrests were made yesterday, and
it is said that the men taken were identified by
the constable as his assailants. They now
await trial until the man Fan Ching is able to
leave hospital, where he is at present detained.

THE following telegraphic information, dated
the 1st inst., has been received from the Super-
intendent and Manager of the Maaschappij tot
Mijn-Boschen-Landbouwexploitatie in
Langkat, Ld.:—

Gallons.	Cases.
Daily aggregate output of Crude Petro- leum	87,000
Crude Petroleum in Tanks at date	260,000
Kerosene made since the date of the pre- ceding 4-monthly telegram	83,000
Kerosene shipped since the date of the preceding half-monthly telegram	63,000
Kerosene in stock at Refinery at date	84,000

THE Theatre Royal was almost crowded last
night, on the occasion of the variety entertain-
ment given by the Pollard Lilliputian Opera
Company. The Company only arrived from
Manila on Monday night where they have had
a phenomenally successful season, and left to-
day for Vancouver and the United States
where it is expected they will be engaged for
quite eighteen months, and are under contract
to play in some of the largest theatres and
cities in the Union. We wish them every
success and prosperity. Last night's perfor-
mance consisted of excerpts from the many
popular operas in their repertoire, which they
gave in excellent style. Practically every
member of the Company contributed, and in
every case the item was completely enjoyable.

EDWARD Tock, a German, was charged before
Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, at the Magistracy this
morning, with assaulting Paul Leininger and
Edward Ludwig, in Queen's Road Central. He
was also charged with disorderly conduct at
the same place. Defendant pleaded not guilty,
but said he did strike the complainants,
"because I had to." The complainants being
unable to speak intelligible English, Mr. John
Hance, Chief Inspector of Detectives, inter-
preted for them at the request of the Court.
Defendant said that the first complainant used
bad language to him, and so he certainly struck
him "as it was the proper thing to do." The
two complainants were fighting and he tried to
separate them, and then they "interfered with
him; and that led to the trouble." He had
witnesses, but they did not want to be trouble-
d to come to Court in such a matter! Edward
was fined \$10.

FUNERAL OBSERQUIES OF
FATHER MARTINET.

At nine o'clock this morning all that was
mortal of the Rev. J. B. Martinet, of the French
Mission to China, was laid to rest in a peaceful
and lovely spot within the Sanatorium at
Pokfulam. At 8.30 a.m. the body of the
deceased was laid on the bier in the
chapel of the mission at Pokfulam, and Matins
and lauds were sung over it with a special
prayer, for the dead, according to the rites of
the Roman Catholic Church. An hour later a
solemn Requiem mass was sung by the Rev. A.
Bun, Procurator in charge of the French
mission, assisted by the Rev. A. Sallon, as
deacon, and the Rev. J. David, as sub-deacon.
After the mass the body was taken to the burial
ground, the Right Rev. Mèrel, Bishop of Canton,
concluding the funeral ceremonies at the
grave-side, around which were gathered repre-
sentatives of the Roman Catholic Missions in
Hongkong and Canton, to whom the deceased
priest was so well-known, and so endeared,
besides most of the members of the French
community in this Colony, and many other
friends and sympathisers, who sent numerous
floral mementoes, in token of the last respect to
their pastor who had been called away.

ACTION AGAINST A NATIVE
BANK.

At the Civil Summary Court this morning,
before Mr. T. Sercombe Smith (Puisne Judge),
an action brought by the Deutsche Asiatische
Bank against a native bank, known as the
Wing Shing Hing Bank, doing business at
102, Wing Lok Street, was continued.

Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., (instructed by
Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared
for the plaintiffs, and Mr. H. N. Ferrers
(instructed by Mr. P. W. Goldring) defended.

Plaintiffs alleged that they had suffered dam-
age by reason of the breach by the defendants
of a contract dated the 4th October, 1904, and
made between the plaintiffs and the defendants
whereby the last-named agreed to purchase
from the plaintiffs a sterling draft on London,
payable on demand, for the sum of £2,000
sterling, at exchange 1/9, and which said con-
tract was to be completed on the 30th Novem-
ber, 1904. The defendants failed to complete
their purchase on due date, and the plaintiffs
had accordingly suffered damages to the ex-
tent of \$785.84 by such breach. The sale of
the draft on October 4th at 1/9, amounted to
\$21,042.86, and the cost on the 30th November
at 1/10, 11/16 amounted to \$21,157.02, hence
the sum claimed.

Evidence for the defence was taken intro-
ducing voluminous accounts, and at the rising
of the Court the case was again adjourned.

NAVAL NOTES.

H.M.S. "VENGEANCE."

As recorded in our columns last evening the
British battleship *Vengeance*, which was due to
leave here for Malta on Friday, has been de-
tained, and we understand that there is every
probability of the vessel being ordered to pro-
ceed to Ceylon and re-commissioning at
Colombo.

H.M.S. *Diadem* will be joining the China
Squadron very shortly, as it is understood
she has received orders to commission on the
4th March to relieve the *Amphitrite* now on
the station.

There is to be another slight alteration in
the outward appearance of H.M.'s ships; it
being stated an order will shortly be issued
directing the gaff to be dispensed with.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND
MACAO STEAM-BOAT CO., LTD.

Following is the report of the board of
directors to the ordinary half-yearly meeting
of shareholders to be held at the office of the
company, on Tuesday, the 14th inst., at 12
o'clock, noon:—

The directors beg to submit to the share-
holders the report and statement of accounts
for the half-year ending 31st December last.

After paying running expenses, salaries,
premium of insurance, repairs and all other out-
goings, there remains, including \$16,352.85
brought forward from last account, the sum
of \$160,160.88 at credit of profit and loss ac-
count. From this amount the directors re-
commend that a dividend of one dollar per share
or \$80,000 be paid to shareholders, leaving a
balance of \$80,160.88 to be carried forward to
new account.

The adverse conditions of the trade men-
tioned in the last report have continued during
the six months under review and there is
nothing of special interest in connection with
the working of the steamers to comment upon.

Mr. H. E. Tomkins resigned his seat at the
board in consequence of his intended departure
from the Colony and Mr. F. Salinger was
nominated by the directors to fill the vacancy
subject to confirmation by the shareholders at
this meeting.

The retiring auditors, Messrs. A. O'D. Gour-
din and W. H. Potts offer themselves for re-
election.

W. J. GRESSON,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1905.

December 31st, 1904.

ASSETS.

Value of steamers <i>Hong- kong, Canton, Hong- shan, Lungshan, Shih of Fatshan and Kin- shan, and 3rd of Sai- nam, Nanning, Tak- Hing, Lintan & Sanui</i> , as per last account	941,500.00
Final payment ac- count <i>Sanui</i>	1,300.00
Value of lighters <i>Sun Lee</i> and <i>Wo Lee</i>	8,500.00
Value of wharves, hulks, and moor- ings	81,550.00
Value of properties at Canton, Wuchow and Kongmun	137,845.77
Value of spare gear	15,980.61
Value of furniture	750.00
Value of shares in public companies Value of Chinese bonds	653,710.00
Loans on mortgage	544,000.00
Interest accrued	2,360.25
Sundry debtors	11,136.63
	\$2,399,668.74

December 31st, 1904.

LIABILITIES.

Amount of capital, 80,000 shares of \$15 each, fully paid up	\$1,200,000.00
Amount at credit of depreciation and insurance fund	600,000.00
Amount at credit of equalization of dividend fund	250,000.00
Amount at credit of investment fluctuation account	158,444.38
Unclaimed dividends	5,793.00
Sundry creditors	36,926.36
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation current account	42,344.12
Amount at credit of profit and loss account	106,160.88
	\$2,399,668.74

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

December 31st, 1904.

To amount paid for repairs to strs. \$13,391.22	
" directors and auditors' fees	4,750.00
Balance to be appropriated, viz.:—	
Dividend of \$1 per share on 80,000 shares	\$80,000.00
To be carried forward to new account	26,160.88
	\$106,160.88
	\$124,302.10

Cr.

By amount brought-forward from last account	\$16,352.85
" net earnings of steamers	65,006.17
" interest on investments	42,821.08
" transfer fees	112.00
	\$124,302.10

DEPRECIATION AND INSURANCE FUND.

December 31st, 1904.

To balance	\$600,000.00
By amount at credit	\$600,000.00

Cr.

By amount at credit	\$600,000.00
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EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDEND FUND.

December 31st, 1904.

To balance	\$250,000.00
By amount at credit	\$250,000.00

Cr.

By amount at credit	\$250,000.00
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E. & O. E.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1905.

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

We have compared the above statement with
the books, vouchers and securities of the com-
pany, and certify the same to be correct.

A. O'D. GOURDIN,
W. HUTTON POTTS, {Auditors.

TURT TOPICS.

All this morning's gallops were performed
on the inner track, and subjoined is given the
record of times. For sake of brevity (b) when
used against any pony denotes "boy rider."

Fiscal, 1 1/2 mile, (b), 36, 1.10, 1.45, 2.19.
Rare Rose, 1 1/2 mile, (b), (b), 34 1/2, 1.07 1/2, 1.43.
Coronet Rose, 1 1/2 mile, 38, 1.13 1/2, 1.48, 2.21,
2.55, 3.27 1/2.

La France Rose, (b), 1 1/2 mile, 39, 1.13 1/2, 1.48 1/2,
2.23, 2.55 1/2.

Marchal Niel Rose, (b), 1 1/2 mile, (b), (b),
34 1/2, 1.11 1/2, 1.47 1/2, finished lame.

Empress of India Rose, 1 mile, joined by
High Frequency, 1 mile, 34, 1.07 1/2, 1.40 1/2,
2.15; being whipped at the finish.

Lamarque Rose, (b), and Gem Rose, (b), 1 1/2
mile, 35 1/2, 1.10 1/2, 1.44 1/2, 2.19 1/2, 2.56.

Invincible Rose and Rosy Morn Rose, (b),
1 1/2 mile, 37, 1.15, 1.48 1/2, 2.22, 2.56 1/2.

Policy, (b), 1 mile, 37 1/2, 1.14, 1.51 1/2, 2.25.

Halifax, (b), 1 mile, 36 1/2, 1.11 1/2, 1.45,
2.18.

Esquimalt, (b), 1 1/2 mile, 40, 1.16, 1.52, 2.25 1/2,
2.58.

Somali, 1 1/2 mile, 37, 1.15, 1.51, 2.26, 2.59 1/2.

Grand Liama, 1 mile, 33 1/2, 1.08, 1.42, 2.17 1/2.

Highland Chief and Alarm, 1 1/2 mile, (b), 35,
1.11 1/2, 1.46, 2.19.

Salem, 1 1/2 mile, (b), 33, 1.08, 1.43 1/2, 2.18 1/2.

Highland Fling and Wee Macgregor, 1 mile,
(b), 33 1/2, 1.08, 1.46.

Scottish King, (b), 1 mile, 35, 1.08 1/2, 1.42 1/2,
2.14 1/2, 2.44 1/2, and Heather King, (b), 1 mile,
33 1/2, 1.07 1/2, 1.41, 2.12 1/2, best performance since
training commenced.

Blackbird, 1 mile, 37 1/2, 1.09, 1.42.

Astrea and Ocean, 1 1/2 mile, 36 1/2, 1.12 1/2, 1.47 1/2,
2.23, 3.00.

Royal and Woodstock, 1 mile, (b), 37 1/2, 1.15,
1.47 1/2.

EARLY BIRD.

THE FOOD SUPPLY OF
HONGKONG.

We understand that, in connection with the
Royal Sanitary Institute of Hongkong, a move-
ment is now on foot which should ultimately
ensure that the food supply of a population of
well over 300,000 persons is being inspected
by thoroughly competent officials specially
trained for this important work. Under the
scheme a course of fifteen lectures and seven
practical demonstrations will be given by Mr.
A. Gibson, C.V.S., M.R.C.V.S., Capt. Fitzwilliams,
A.S.C., and Dr. F. Clark, M.O.H. Students at-
tending these lectures will be thoroughly in-
structed in the examination of animals intended
for food, both alive and after slaughter, and
the diseases affecting the wholesomeness of
meat intended for consumption. Instruction will
also be given regarding the examination of milk,
butter, cheese, fish, poultry, game, fruit, vege-
tables, tinned goods and every other description
of food stuffs, together with the legal aspect of
food inspection. The first of the series of
lectures will be delivered on Friday next, at 9
p.m., others being given every Tuesday and
Friday evening until March 31st. Practical
demonstrations will be given at the Cattle
Depot, slaughter houses, markets and at other
places. We understand that the movement
has the hearty approval of H.E. the Governor,
and when it is remembered that the com-
mittee of the local branch of the institute
consists of such gentlemen as the Hon.
Dr. Atkinson, Mr. E. A. Hewett, and Mr.
A. H. Ough the success of the movement is
practically assured. The fee for the whole
course is \$5, and the lectures will be given at
the Institute, 10 Wyndham Street, where further
particulars are obtainable from Mr. Alfred
Carter, M.R.S.I., who will also be found at the
Sanitary Board Offices.

SHIPPING JETSAM.

CREW AND CONTRABAND.

Sir Joseph Renals at the Guildhall Police
court last month gave his promised decision in
the case of *Roca v. Dodwell*, which was a
claim for damages and wages by a seaman
against the registered owner of the steamship
Hackney. The vessel ostensibly sailed from
Penarth to Hongkong with a cargo of Welsh
coal, but instead put into Nagasaki and dis-
charged her cargo under the supervision of
the Japanese naval officers, and was eventually
sold to the Japanese Government. The claim
for damages was based on the fact that the
vessel carried contraband, and the seamen ran
extra risks. The alderman decided against the
seamen. But he expressed his willingness to
state a case should either side appeal.

THE BANGKOK COLLISION CASE.

The action brought by Tuan Sam Au against
the Siam Steam Packet Co. was continued, when
Nai Toh gave evidence as to the collision. He
was a passenger on the *Phet*. The night was
dark and the lights of the *Phet* were burning.
He saw no lights on the *Hongkong*, but there
were sparks from her funnel. The collision
took place soon after he saw the *Hongkong*.
After stopping for a while the *Phet* proceeded
upstream. The *Hongkong* passed down river,
—Nai Ming, another passenger on the *Phet*,
said that the *Phet* whistled before the collision,
and rang a bell. He saw sparks issuing from
the funnel of the *Hongkong*, which was show-
ing no lights, at any rate witness saw none.—On
the Court resuming, Mr. Gibbins urged that the
Phet was going dead slow at the time, other-
wise she would have cut the *Hongkong* in two.
The *Phet* was on her proper course, whilst the
Hongkong was on the wrong side of the river.
After discussion, the further hearing of the
case was adjourned.

An order in Council, signed in London, in
October last, respecting British Protectorates
neutrality, is printed in the *British North
Borneo Official Gazette*.

ROYAL ENGINEERS' CONTENT.

Last night the Sergeants' Mess of the Royal
Engineers was decorated and laid out for the
benefit and entertainment of the chief and
first-class petty officers of H.M.S. *Vengeance*,
and a most enjoyable "Smoker" was held to
bid farewell to all who have been frequenters
of this mess. The hearty good-fellowship
with which they have fraternised together was
amply illustrated in the jovial merriment which
the R.E.'s welcomed their guests of the evening,
and on speaking to a petty officer from the
V

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's.]

Great Britain and Germany.

LONDON, 6th February.

With reference to the speech of Mr. Arthur H. Lee, M.P., Civil Lord of the Admiralty, in which he was reported to have stated that it was not so much required of Great Britain that she should keep her eyes on France in the Mediterranean as she had to look with more anxiety, though no fear, to North Sea, that was the reason why the fleets had been redistributed, and that if war was declared the British Navy would get a blow in first. Mr. Lee now writes that he was incorrectly reported; that what he actually said was that Great Britain must assume that all foreign naval powers were possible enemies, and that owing to the growth of these naval powers, and these being more numerous than hitherto, Great Britain has to keep an anxious eye, not only on the Mediterranean and the Atlantic, but the North Sea also.

The speech has caused a sensation in Germany, and the papers are angrily demanding an explanation. The *Standard's* Berlin correspondent learns that, unless Lord Lansdowne promptly repudiates the speech, Germany will ask for an explanation.

Later.

A New Russian Loan.

Negotiations have been completed for the issue of a five per centum Russian loan in Paris of nearly a milliard of francs.

Finland.

M. Johnson, procurator of the Senate at Helsingfors, has been assassinated, and his son wounded by a man disguised as an officer.

[According to the telegram received from our London correspondent and printed in these columns last evening, it was at first reported that M. Johnson had been killed. Subsequent investigation, however, showed that his son was wounded while M. Johnson was unhurt.—Ed., H.K.T.]

ROYAL NAVAL TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

Under the auspices of the Royal Naval Temperance Society, a very pleasant social reunion took place in St. George's Hall last night at half past seven o'clock. The function was held not only to review, but to stimulate, interest in and sympathy with the admirable work done by Miss Weston for the sailors, which has rightly earned for her the designation of the "Sailors' friend." There was a very large attendance of local residents, as well as many officers and men from the vessels in harbour. The hall, which had been assigned for the function, had been placed in the hands of Mr. Campbell, H.M.S. *Centurion*, for the purpose of decoration, and excellently did he do the work, with the able assistance of a number of signalmen from the fleet in harbour. At the hour appointed the Rev. M. Mulineux, R.N., took the chair, and called upon the Rev. C. H. Hickling to open proceedings, following which he did by suitable prayers, following by the singing of the well-known hymn, "Oh, rally in your thousands." Mr. H. Gibbs, R.N., then briefly addressed the assembly, pointing out that the efforts being made on behalf of sailors in all the sea-ports of the earth were entirely un denominational, and were for the benefit of all alike, of whatever colour or creed. The men must do their share of the work in forming themselves into bands for unity, for mutual assistance towards universal sobriety among seamen, whether belonging to the service or to the mercantile marine.—The prayers and address over a very enjoyable programme of instrumental and vocal items was rendered

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of Water in Reservoirs on the 1st February.

	1904.	1905.
Tytam... { 27' 5" below } overflow	21' 9" below	overflow
Byewash... { 31' 10" below } overflow	28' 4" below	overflow
Pokfulam... { 31' 10" below } overflow	21' 8" below	overflow
Wong-nai... { 23' 9" below } overflow	44' 0" below	overflow
cheung... { overflow } overflow		

STORAGE GALLONS.

	1904.	1905.
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Tytam.....	192,460,000	225,730,000
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Byewash.....	6,160,000	21,225,000
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Pokfulam.....	7,382,000	132,000
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Wong-nai-cheung		
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Total.....	205,002,000	246,955,000
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Consumption of Water in the City of Victoria and Hill District during the month of January.

	1904.	1905.
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Consumption...	80,761,000	122,428,000 gallons
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Estimated population.....	222,100	226,900
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Consumption per head per day.....	11.7	17.4 gallons
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Intermittent supply during the month of January, 1904.

Constant supply during the month of January, 1905.

Consumption of Water in Kowloon Peninsula during the month of January.

	1904.	1905.
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Consumption.....	14,481,000	13,453,000 gallons
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Estimated population.....	65,900	71,650
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Consumption per head per day.....	7.0	6.0 gallons
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The Government Analyst reports that the water is of excellent quality.

P. N. H. JONES,
Water Authority.

THERE is a rumour in the Peking Palace that his Imperial Majesty Kuang Hsu is to be allowed once more to hold the reins of Government, next spring, while his aged Aunt seeks rest and leisure at Eho Park Palace, which has been embellished during the past fifteen months with many new buildings, a foreign-styled one amongst the number.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE RELIEF OF THE DISTRESSED.

INTERESTING LEGISLATION CONTEMPLATED

The annual meeting of the above Society was held at the City Hall, last evening. Sir Henry S. Berkeley presiding. There were also present:—Mrs. F. H. May (President), Mrs. Atkinson (Vice-President), Mrs. J. Hastings (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs. H. H. Gompertz (Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Bodeley, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Hickling, Mrs. Hoare, Mrs. Peter, Mrs. Siebs, Mrs. Swan, Mrs. Gershom-Stewart (Committee), Rev. F. T. Johnson, Rev. J. H. France, and Mr. E. A. Hewitt (Reference Committee), Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. Gershom-Stewart, Rt. Rev. Bishop Hoare, Captain A. Milroy, Messrs. G. W. F. Playfair, Hon. Dr. Atkinson, W. H. Trenchard Davis, F. B. L. Bowley, H. J. Gedge, W. Dixon, G. Piercy, Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., H. H. J. Gompertz, C.A.D. Melbourne, and others.

The Chairman said that was the fifteenth annual meeting of that most valuable society known as the Benevolent Society of Hongkong. He would now read the report for the past year, which was as follows:

The Ladies of the Committee of the Hongkong Benevolent Society have much pleasure in submitting their annual report and statement of accounts, and in doing so desire to thank all those who have assisted them in carrying on the work of the Society. During the year 17 cases were brought under the consideration of the Committee and assistance was given in 14 cases. Over 60 other cases received relief through the Rev. J. H. France who gives invaluable assistance to the Society by investigating cases on its behalf and helping them when deserving. Employment was found in the Colony for some of the applicants and passages paid for others to various places where they had friends or promise of employment. It is pleasant to be able to record that in several cases grateful letters have been subsequently received from some of these persons. Monthly allowances have been made in some cases to poor and deserving people and in one case milk and medical comforts have been furnished to a deserving invalid. During the first 9 months of the year the Society was paying for the maintenance and education of ten orphan children at a cost of \$147.50 a month. As the income from subscriptions is month was only about \$50 the Society's funds became very low and it became necessary on May 31st to encroach upon our Fixed Deposit, to curtail the sum at Mr. France's disposal from \$25 a month to \$15 and to issue an urgent appeal for more subscribers. The autumn, two of our orphans obtained employment in the Colony as nurse maids and, as a result of our appeal to the public, a few more monthly subscriptions were obtained. Otherwise we should have had to draw out all our Fixed Deposit and should have been in debt at the end of the year. As it is, writing at the end of January we have had, during the month, to draw out our remaining \$500 on Fixed Deposit to meet current expenses.

As present we spend on our 8 orphans per month \$101.50, and allow to Mr. France (a month) \$15, and to meet this we have only 81 regular subscribers which brings in an amount of \$81 a month. This obliges us to go into debt if we are to help any outside cases. The Committee therefore take this opportunity of a further urgent appeal for more regular subscribers of \$12 a year. With regard to the support of our orphans 4 of one family have been maintained at the Diocesan School for girls by the Society since 1901. Two of these left in autumn and have obtained situations. We have partially supported another orphan first at Miss Johnstone's and afterward at the Diocesan School. The girl is now 16 and we may reasonably hope that she will be able to obtain some situation at the end of this year (1905). Since the beginning of 1902 we have supported two girls at the Italian Convent. We have partially supported a boy at St. Joseph's College since 1902. We partially support another orphan at Miss Johnstone's school. Except the girl of 16 before mentioned all these children are young and are likely to be on our hands for several years. Details of the other 4 cases assisted during 1904 will be found on another page of the report. Attention may be called to the fact that the Society has dealt with over 1,000 cases since its establishment in 1899. At the suggestion of the Society the Hongkong Government has written to the Commonwealth of Australia giving particulars of several cases in which the Australian wives of Chinese have been deserted, or otherwise ill treated by their husbands on return to China asking the Australian Government to warn young women against such marriages, as the husband has often already contracted ties in his own country. During the year Mrs. Turner, Miss Hunter and Lady Goodman left the Colony and their places on the Committee were taken by Mrs. Master, Mrs. Peter and Mrs. Bodeley. In September, Mrs. Master resigned and her place was filled by Mrs. Gershom-Stewart. Since Lady Goodman's departure and resignation of the Chair, which was much regretted by all the Committee, Mrs. May has kindly and most ably presided and Mrs. Atkinson has acted as Vice-President. Lady Goodman had been connected with the Society for many years and had acted as President for three years. Mrs. Bridie resigned her place on the Committee at our last meeting as she is leaving the Colony and Mrs. Robertson has consented to take her place. Mrs. Bridie was a most active and energetic member of the Committee and will be very greatly missed. The Rev. J. France returned to the Colony at the beginning of the year and resumed his old place on the Reference Committee relieving the Rev. T. Wright who had kindly acted for him while he was away. The following ladies retire in rotation from the Committee: Mrs. Hastings, Mrs. Hickling, Mrs. Siebs. Of these only the latter two offer themselves for re-election, as the Hon. Treasurer is leaving the Colony for a short time.

The Chairman, continuing, said the first thing at that general meeting they had to do was to elect members to fill vacancies on the Committee and subsequently to discuss a proposition which would be put before them. He thought he might compliment the members of the Committee on the work they had done during the past year. They had been most assiduous and done all that was in their power to do. But they would have done very much more had their efforts not been limited by the funds at their disposal. From the report which had been read, it appeared that the Society, than which there could be no better in the country, its aims were so high—had an extremely small list of subscribers. It was astonishing to find in a large and wealthy community like Hongkong that the numbers were so small. He could only believe that the existence of the Society was lost sight of. Surely

they ought to be able to get a larger list of subscribers. He called attention to the limited numbers in the expectation that when the paucity of numbers was made public it would at once be followed by a large and increased list. The subscription was very small, only \$12 a year and it was absolutely necessary, if the Society was to have any power for practical good, that the number of those who subscribed \$12 should be very materially increased. He hoped that when that meeting gathered again at the end of the current year, that the Report would show a very greatly increased number of subscribers. The number of cases assisted, showed the good work that had been done, and as he had said the only reason more good had not been accomplished was for want of money at their disposal.

Mr. E. A. Hewitt moved the adoption of the Report and Accounts, and very earnestly endorsed all the Chairman had said about the necessity for an increased number of subscribers to that worthy Society. It seemed incredible when they came to think of it that in a large and wealthy place like Hongkong there were only 81 subscribers to the Benevolent Society. Probably in some cases \$12 a year might be too much for many Europeans in Hongkong, and he presumed he was right in supposing that the Society would gladly receive donations however small, and by this means very materially increase the funds at their disposal. Another matter he would like to refer to was the question of marriages between white women and Chinese, mention being made of a case in the Report. In many cases these marriages were followed by great destitution and distress, and it was incumbent upon them to do all in their power to prevent such marriages.

Hon. Mr. F. H. May seconded, and the motion was unanimously adopted.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, said they would be very grateful for any donation however small. It would be useful.

FILLING VACANCIES.

Lady Berkeley, Hon. Mrs. Barnes-Lawrence, Mrs. Siebs, Mrs. Hickling and Mrs. Piercy were elected to fill vacancies on the Committee, several ladies having retired in view of an early departure home.

A SCHEME OF RELIEF.

The Chairman said they had now before them a proposal by which the Benevolent Society might make themselves still more useful. The proposal, in short, was that the Society might allow itself to be, as it were, an almoner of certain charitable disposed persons, who desired to relieve the necessities of persons, who, however undesirable, were in the Colony, and as the report pointed out, it was impossible to prevent coming here. Though this class destitute suffering people were deserving of help, the class that was most largely found wasteful of the seaman—the sailor. Well, so far as the man who was known to them as the "D.B.S." was concerned he was provided for. The Merchant Shipping Act provided that the Shipping Master of every British port had to take charge of the man, and find him a ship as soon as he could, and in the meantime must provide him with board and lodging, the expense being ultimately defrayed by the Imperial Government through the medium of the Board of Trade.

There was another person, the foreign sailor, who ought to be looked after by his nationals, but he was not. Well in those cases, where properly discharged from a British ship, the British Government looked after him. There were cases where the Consuls did not think them worthy of help and would not help them. Then there was the class of seamen, they might call wasters. Well the object of this resolution was to give even these men a chance, men who in a sense did not deserve it. Well they could not go far wrong in giving any man a chance (Applause). And then again there was the criminal class. The funds of the Benevolent Society would not be encroached upon if the resolution was adopted. What it was suggested to do was that there should be five or six persons in the community who would be willing to get together a certain sum of money and form a sort of Limited Liability Charity Insurance Company. Anybody who liked to join this society, and form a guarantee, would, it was expected, ask the Benevolent Society to act as almoner, to pay out so much a week as the case might be to the Rev. J. H. France, who would undertake to distribute it properly and to those needing relief. Well, the suggestion was that the guarantee should be limited to sixty dollars per man, per annum, and any man able and willing to contribute that sum could do so. What they had to discuss that afternoon, was whether they would sanction the Benevolent Society becoming the medium of charity in the direction he had indicated. Personally he had a strong objection to the scheme to commence with, because he thought it was meant to make a charge upon the funds of the Society, but it is would not be the case, and all the Society was asked to do, was to act as almoner. So that if it should happen to be possible to find a sufficiently large number of charitable people to make the scheme a success, they might rely upon the funds being distributed well and efficiently.

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THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. J. I. Plummer, Chief Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 8th at 11.45 a.m. The barometer has risen throughout China and in Formosa and the Philippines and has fallen in Japan and over the neighbouring portion of the Pacific.

An area of high pressure is again formed in the interior and north of China and gradients are becoming steep upon the east coast. Strong N.E. monsoon will be met with in the Formosa Channel and to the northward of it, and fresh to strong N.E. winds in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast.—Fresh N. to N.E. winds, overcast, hazy, some drizzling rain.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The following is the report of the Court of Directors to the ordinary half-yearly general meeting of shareholders to be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 18th February, 1905, at noon.

To the proprietors of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Gentlemen.—The directors have now to submit to you a general statement of the affairs of the Bank, and balance sheet for the half-year ending 31st December, 1904.

The net profits for that period, including \$1,492,554.31, balance brought forward from last account, after paying all charges, deducting interest paid and due, and making provision for bad and doubtful accounts, amount to \$4,745,544.05.

The directors recommend the transfer of \$1,000,000 from the profit and loss account to a fund of silver reserve fund, which fund will then stand at \$8,000,000.

They also recommend writing off Bank premises account the sum of \$200,000.

After making these transfers and deducting remuneration to directors there remains for appropriation \$3,539,544.05, out of which the directors recommend the payment of a dividend of one pound and ten shillings sterling per share, which at 4/6 will absorb \$533,333.33 and a bonus of one pound sterling per share, which at 4/6 will absorb \$555,555.55.

The difference in exchange between 1/6, the rate at which the dividend and bonus are declared, and 11/9/16d, the rate of the day, amounts to \$1,148,216.47.

The balance of \$1,493,108.75 to be carried to new profit and loss account.

DIRECTORS.

Mr. H. E. Tomkins has been elected chairman for the year 1905 and Mr. H. A. W. Slade deputy chairman.

Mr. A. J. Raymond, Mr. H. E. Tomkins and Mr. N. A. Siebs retire in rotation, but being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. W. Hutton Potts and Mr. A. G. Wood, who offer themselves for re-election.

A. J. RAYMOND,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1905.

ABSTRACT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
31st December, 1904.

Liabilities.

Paid-up capital.....	\$10,000,000.00
Sterling reserve fund.....	10,000,000.00
Silver reserve fund.....	7,000,000.00
Marine insurance account.....	250,000.00
Notes in circulation.....	

Authorized issue against securities deposited with the Crown Agents for the Colonies, \$10,000,000.00

Additional issue authorized by Hongkong Ord. No. 19 of 1900, against Coin lodged with the Hongkong Government, 6,422,593.02

Current Accounts.....

Silver.....	\$70,956,898.34
Gold.....	£1,632,716
10s. 7d. =	39,104,287.84

Fixed Deposits.....

Silver.....	\$48,560,443.56
Gold.....	£1,132,433
10s. 7d. =	55,327,919.12

Bills Payable (including Drafts on London Bankers call loans and short sight drawings on London office against bills receivable and bullion shipments).....

Profit and loss account.....	12,426,024.02
Liability on Bills of Exchange discounted £4,191,571 8s. 30d. of which £3,111,468 3s. 0d. have since run off.....	4,745,544.05

Assets.

Cash.....	\$37,472,737.62
Coin lodged with the Hongkong Government against note circulation in excess of \$1,000,000 Bullion in hand and in transit.....	8,500,000.00
Indian government rupee paper, Co. sols, colonial and other securities.....	5,731,811.00
2,935,153.6	
Sterling reserve fund investments, viz:—	9,214,978.98

£170,000 2 1/2 % consols at 85.....£484,500

(of which £250,000 lodged with the Bank of England as a Special London Reserve.)

£255,000 2 1/2 % national war loan, at 90.....229,500

£125,000 other sterling securities, written down to.....286,000

£1,000,000

10,000,000.00

Bills discounted, loans and credits.....85,601,304.98

Bills receivable.....115,000,116.44

Bank premises.....1,228,616.8

\$274,793,709.93

GENERAL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Dr. 31st December, 1904.

To Amounts written off:—

Remuneration to directors.....\$ 15,000.00

Dividend account:—

£1.10 per share on 80,000 shares = £120,000 @ 4/6.....\$533,333.33

Bonus of £1 per share on 80,000 shares = £80,000 @ 4/6.....355,555.55

Dividend adjustment 1/6 c.—

Difference in exchange between 4/6, the rate at which the dividend and bonus are declared, and 11/9/16d, the rate of the day.....1,148,216.47

Transfer to silver reserve fund.....1,000,000.00

Transfer to Bank premises 1/6.....200,000.00

Balance forward to next half-year.....1,493,108.75

\$ 4,745,544.05

By Balance of undivided profits, 30th June, 1904, \$1,492,554.31

By Amount of net profits for the six months ending 31st Dec., 1904, after making provisions for bad and doubtful debts, deducting all expenses and interest paid and due.....3,252,989.74

\$ 4,745,544.05

STERLING RESERVE FUND.

To Balance.....\$10,000,000.00

By Balance 30th June, 1904, (invested in sterling securities), \$10,000,000.00

Transfer from profit and loss account.....1,000,000.00

\$ 8,000,000.00

SILVER RESERVE FUND.

To Balance.....\$ 8,000,000.00

By Balance 30th June, 1904.....\$ 7,000,000.00

Transfer from profit and loss account.....1,000,000.00

\$ 8,000,000.00

A. J. RAYMOND, Directors.

A. HAITT, W. J. GRESSON, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

C. W. MAY, Chief Accountant.

We have compared the above statement with the books, vouchers and securities of the Head Office, and with the returns from the various branches and agencies, and have found the same to be correct.

W. HUTTON POTTS, Auditors.

A. G. WOOD, Hongkong, 7th February, 1905.

COMMERCIAL SHARE LIST.

Following are further alterations in Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly & Potts' share quotations to-day:—

China Sugars \$125

Canton Insurances 260

SHANGHAI FREIGHT MARKET.

Messrs. Wheelock & Co., writing under date 2nd inst., state:—

Our homeward freight market remains in much the same state as at last writing as regards the quantity of cargo going forward is concerned and now that we are close upon China New Year all export will be practically suspended for the next couple of weeks; as regards tonnage the Hamburg-America line are making a new departure in putting on three last cargo steamers with excellent passenger accommodation specially adapted for the tropics which should soon prove themselves favourable under the go-ahead management of that company.

Coastwise:—As usually happens about 'China New Year there is very little coast business offering and rates have declined all round although it would be difficult to say how long this is going to last or how far rates will drop, opinions are so diverse from the different standpoints of powers and charterers; in spite of the drop in rates tonnage is rather scarce and we are inclined to predict a rise after the holidays which should continue as the opening up of the northern ports draws near.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

GREAT NORTHERN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NIPPON YU EN KAISHA.

THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA begs to notify that it has ACCEPTED the AGENCY OF THE GREAT NORTHERN STEAMSHIP COMPANY IN JAPAN AND CHINA, and that the "ALANESSA," the first steamer of the new line, is scheduled to arrive in Yokohama on the 7th February, 1905, and to leave that port on the 14th inst. for KOBE, NAGASAKI, MANILA and HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1905.

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	21st February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	25th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	3rd March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ULYSSES"	7th March.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"GLAUCUS"	14th February.
"GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"AJAX"	20th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"IDOMENEUS"	28th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	14th March.
"GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"PATROCLUS"	20th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	28th March.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"PINGSUEY"	6th March.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1905.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"TEAN"	9th February.
SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN"	14th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.	"TSINAN"	14th "
SHANGHAI	"HUPPE"	18th "
TIENSIN	"CHIHLI"	28th "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A duly
qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian
Ports.

N.B.—REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND
AUSTRALIAN PORTS. (SEE SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENT).

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1905.

Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon and staterooms—Electric
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried.
All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of
Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA	SATURDAY, 11th Feb., at 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	"	SATURDAY, 18th Feb., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1905.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL

(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

Steamship	DATE
"RAS ISSA"	FRIDAY, 10th February, at 10 A.M.

For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1905.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via SHANGHAI, INLAND,
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail at Daylight on
"ARABIA"	4483	Bahle	February 13th, 1905.
"ARAGONIA"	5198	Schuldt	March 5th, "
"NICOMEDIA"	4370	Wagner	March 31st, "
"NUMANTIA"	4370	Brehmer	April 20th, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate
with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

TSANG FOO & CO.
COAL MERCHANTS AND STEVEDORES.

48, DES VUEUX ROAD.

SHIPS Coaled from alongside at the shortest
notice, and with all possible despatch.

Prices Moderate. Telephone No. 329.
Hongkong, 1st October, 1904.

NOTICE.

BOO CHEONG, of No. 20, Pottinger
Street, has always on hand

FIRST-CLASS WRITING AND PRINTING
PAPERS, AND STATIONERY

of every variety.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

AUSTRALIAN LINE

REDUCTION IN PASSAGE RATES,
From 1st January, 1904.

ALSO REDUCED FARES TO
MANILA AND RETURN.

STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric
Light. First Class Accommodation. Un-
rivalled Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1904.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers.

Tons Captain
"KWONG CHOW" 1,309 J. P. MARTIN.
"KWONG TUNG" 1,338 H. W. WALKER.
Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 every
evening (Saturday excepted).
Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5.30
o'clock every evening (Sunday excepted).
These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled
Accommodation for First Class Passengers and
are lit throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare—Single Journey \$4.
Meals \$1 each.

The Company's Wharf is a short distance
West of the Harbour Master's Office.

SHIU ON S.S. CO., LD., and
YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1905.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British Steamship

"YING KING."

Captain E. I. Page, of 1,088 tons, Registered,
is the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously fur-
nished steamer on the line and is lighted
throughout with Electricity; hot and cold water
service. The cuisine is unexcelled.
Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY,
WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING,
at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton, every
following evening at 5 P.M.

1st Class.....\$3.00 for Single Journey.
2nd ".....1.50 " "
Meals 1.00 each. "

The steamer's wharf is at the Western end
of Wing Lok Street.

YUK ON S.S. Co., LD.,
No. 216, Wing Lok Street.

WENDT & Co.,
Canton Agents.

Hongkong, 24th June, 1904.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

THE Splendid Steamer

"YING KING."

Captain Page, will make an EXCURSION
TRIP TO MACAO, on EVERY SUNDAY,
leaving the Company's wharf at the end of
Wing Lok Street, at 8.30 A.M., and returning
from Macao at 7.30 P.M.

The Steamer will lay alongside the S.S.
Perseverance's wharf at Macao.

FARE:
1st Class Single Ticket \$2.00, with Cabin \$3.00
Return \$3.00, " \$5.00
Tiffin and Dinner may be had on Board
at \$1 each meal.

YUK ON & Co., LD.,
S. A. NORONHA,
Macao Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"

Captain T. AUSTIN, R.N.R.

THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong on
Week Days, at 8 A.M. and on Sun-
days at 8.30 A.M. Departs from Macao on Week
Days at 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 6.30 P.M.

FARES.—Week Days, 1st Class, including
Cabin and servant, Single \$3; Return Ticket,
\$5; 2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.
Every Sunday will be an Excursion, at the
following rates.—1st and 2nd Class, Single
Ticket, \$1; Return, \$2; 3rd Class, Single, 50
cents, Return, 30 cents; Steerage, 10 cents.
TIFFIN AND DINNER can be supplied
either on Board, or at the Macao Hotel, for
returning passengers only, at an extra charge
of \$2.

On Sundays, passengers desiring to have a
Private Cabin which has accommodation for
two or more passengers, will be charged \$3
extra.

First Class Passengers who do not care to
return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed
to do so the following day (Monday) on pro-
duction of the Return Half Ticket. Should
the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to
the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given
by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be
available for the following day.

The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.
The Steamer's wharf at Hongkong is at the
Western end of Wing Lok Street.

MING ON & Co.,
2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1904.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE
TO NEW-YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL,
(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1904. About
"SATSUMA".....15th Feb., 1905.
"RICHMOND CASTLE" 4th March, "
"SAINT VILLANS".....17th "

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1905.

Shipping—Steamers.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUMSANG."

Captain E. J. Buller, will be despatched as
above, TO-MORROW, the 9th February,
at 3 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1905.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LOONGSANG."

Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched as
above, on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for First-class Passengers, and is fitted through-
out with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1905.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,
(Calling at Timor, Port Darwin and Queens-
land Ports, and taking through Cargo
to Adelaide, New Zealand,
Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EMPIRE."

Captain Helms, will be despatched as above,
on TUESDAY, the 14th February, at Noon.
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted
for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Cham-
ber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provi-
sions, Ice, etc., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with
the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon
are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of
passengers the steamers of the Company have
electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1905.

Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"RHENANIA."

Captain Behrens, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignature by the Undersigned and to
take immediate delivery of their goods from
alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before TO-
DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited,
and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 9th instant will be subject
to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to
be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 9th instant at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1905.

FROM BREMEN, HAMBURG, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SAMBIA."

Captain Luning, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignature by the Undersigned and to
take immediate delivery of their goods from
alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before TO-
DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited,
and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 9th February will be
subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 9th February, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1905.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"PENTAKOTA."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their
Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining
on board after 4 P.M. FRIDAY, the 3rd instant,
will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense
into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1905.

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO,
LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENFARG."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk into the
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at
Kowloon, where each consignment will be
sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be
obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 10th instant will
be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
All damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns, and a certificate of the damage ob-
tained from the Godown Company within
ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which
no claims will be recognised.

McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1905.

S.S. "CALEDONIEN."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London, ex-
s.s. *Cordouan*, in connection with above
Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods,
with the exception of Opium, Treasure and
Valuables are being landed and stored at their
risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at
Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained
immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless
intimation is received from the Consignees
before 5 P.M., TO-DAY, requesting it to be
landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after
MONDAY, the 13th February, at Noon, will
be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or be-
fore the 13th February, or they will not be re-
cognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on
MONDAY, the 13th February, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. BRIDOU,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1905.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods
will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be land-
ed on to Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 4 P.M.
of the 9th instant, will be landed at Con-
signees' risk and expense into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Co., Limited.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE, PEN-
ANG and RANGOON are requested to take IMMEDIATE
DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside,
such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED.

Agents.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1905.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"SACHSEN."

of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that their Goods, with the exception
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being
landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence
delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before 2 P.M.,
THIS AFTERNOON.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 9th instant will be
subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on THURSDAY, the 9th instant,
at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 11th
instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.

Continuation.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

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HONGKONG.

CARLK ADDRESS.—Telegraph, Hongkong.

THE leading English Newspaper in China
Also widely circulated in Japan, Ceylon,
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A daily newspaper with weekly edition
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The daily is recommended as more generally
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A special feature is made of full and accurate
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The Hongkong Telegraph is the best
medium for advertising in China. It circulates
largely among all classes of the community,
is the largest daily newspaper and has a
wider circulation than any journal in the Far
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Special attention given to effectively display-
ing advertisements.

The type used as a standard for setting
advertisements is similar to this, unless we are
instructed to display the advertisement, when
any effective style of type will be adopted.
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inch, and about eight words to the line.

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Notices of Births, Deaths, and Marriages
at each insertion in the Daily and Weekly.]

CONTRACT ADVERTISEMENTS.

Special Rates for standing advertisements
can be ascertained from the Manager.

Advertisements for the Daily should reach
the Hongkong Telegraph Office not later than
noon of the day they are intended to appear.

Unless otherwise specified all advertisements
will be repeated and charged for until counter-
manded.

JOBING DEPARTMENT.

Job Printing of all descriptions undertaken.

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All job printing is done under European
supervision, well turned out, free from errors,
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Estimates given for all classes of work on
application to

THE MANAGER,

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Hongkong.

Shipping.

Wongkoi, Ger. s.s., 1,115, W. Reher, 6th Feb.
—Bangkok 30th Jan, Rice and Gen.—B.
& S.
Patroclus, Br. s.s., 3,547, E. G. Dickens, 7th
Feb.—Liverpool 31st Dec., and Singapore
1st Feb, Gen.—B. & S.
Johanna, Ger. s.s., 952, 17th Feb.—
Cebu and Feb. Ballast.—J. & Co.
Hong Bee, Br. s.s., 2,056, H. Peters, 7th Feb.
—Singapore 1st Feb, Gen.—Wee Bin.
Pronto, Nor. s.s., 837, Seeberg, 7th Feb.
—Mauritius 13th Feb, Sugar—Aagaard &
Torsen.
Hanchow, Br. s.s., 999, Mawley, 7th Feb.—
Wuhu 3rd Feb, Rice.—B. & S.
Petrarch, Ger. s.s., 1,252, C. Ahrens, 7th Feb.
—Saigon 2nd Feb, Rice and Gen.—S. W.
& Co.
Haiching, Br. s.s., 1,267, A. E. Holings, 7th
Feb.—Tamsui and Swatow 7th Feb, Gen.—
D. L. & Co.
Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1,344, E. Muhle, 8th Feb.
—Sandakan 2nd Feb, Timber and Gen.—M.
& Co.
Capri, Ital. s.s., 2,783, G. Belsito, 8th Feb.—
Bombay and Singapore 1st Feb, Gen.—
C. & Co.
Lydia, Ger. s.s., 1,771, J. Ernst, 8th Feb.—
Chinkiang 3rd Feb, Gen.—S. & Co.
Chinkiang, Br. s.s., 1,227, Robinson, 8th Feb.
—Shanghai 3rd Feb, and Swatow 7th
Feb.—B. & S.
Mercedes, Br. s.s., 3,000, J. S. McGregor, 8th
Feb.—Wellington, N.Z. 15th Jan, Coal.—
Naval Stores office.
Paoting, Br. s.s., 1,163, H. Wavell, 8th Feb.
—Wuhu 2nd Feb, and Chinkiang 3rd
Feb.—B. & S.
Lyeemooon, Ger. s.s., 1,738, Th. Lehmann, 8th
Feb.—Canton 7th Feb, Gen.—S. & Co.
Germanicus, Ger. s.s., 2,575, H. Behrmann, 8th
Feb.—Mojito 1st Feb, Gen.—D. & Co. Ltd.
Arabia, Ger. s.s., 2,867, H. Meisentin, 8th
Feb.—Portland, Or. via Japan 3rd Feb,
Gen.—P. & A. S. Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Yingking, for Canton.
Charles Hardwin, for Canton.
Hanoi, for Haiphong.
Lydia, for Canton.
Alongolia, for Nagasaki.
Patroclus, for Shanghai.
Empress of India, for Shanghai.
Haining, for Shau-tung.
Kwongchow, for Canton.
Pentakota, for Amoy.
Dr. Hans Jurg Kier, for Hoihow.
Shun Lee, for West River.
Tuk Hing, for West River.
Kongmoon, for Macao.
Ataka, for Canton.

Departures.

Feb. 8.
Empress of India, for Vancouver.
Mongolia, for San Francisco.
Haiton, for Swatow.
Mithide, for Hoihow.
Stenor, for Shanghai.
Seckuen, for Canton.
Haiton, for Pakhoi.
Haiton, for Haiphong.
Haiton, for Sasebo.
Sumbia, for Yokohama.
Carl Diederichsen, for Haiphong.
Hanchow, for Canton.

Passengers arrived.

Per Pronto, from Mauritius—216 Chinese.
Per Hong Bee, from Singapore—335 Chinese.
Per Patroclus, from Singapore—105 Chinese.
Per Borneo, from Sandakan—Mr. and Mrs.
Nudge, Mr. W. E. Roberts, and 16 Chinese.
Per Haiching, from Coast Ports—Messrs. E.
P. Ruse, C. Modvig, Mr. and Mrs. Forbes,
Messrs. G. Lammett, H. C. Butcher, A. Mac-
kenzie, G. E. Moyal, Wabner Dixon, A. Brown,
J. W. Bonnar, H. Hancock, N. Rutherford, J.
Rodgers, Gray, and 31 Chinese.

Passengers departed.

Per Ernest Simons, for Saigon—Messrs. W.
D. Kraft, Henri de Lamothe, Fradins, Paul
Sémanet, Lozach, S. Stein, Mr. and Mrs. W.
F. Wenyon, Rev. Belloc, Miss Loppufka, Mr.
Bouget, Man, Schuyler, and 2 Chinese. For
Singapore—Messrs. Francisco Melendreras,
Abraham Hantus, Mrs. Taubmann, Mr. R. Mat-
suo, Mr. and Mrs. Lim, and 17 Japanese.
For Marseilles—Messrs. H. Ullmann, C. Sasse,
Peyrol-Lanauze, Rev. Pasquier, and Mr. F.
Feindt.

Shipping Report.

Sir, Patroclus from Liverpool—Fresh N.E.
monsoon.
Sir, Haiching from Tamsui—Moderate
breeze, light rain, smooth sea.
Sir, Chinkiang from Shanghai—Light N.E.
winds, and overcast throughout.
Sir, Hong Bee from Singapore—Moderate
monsoon, fine and clear throughout.

Vessels in Port.

Agincourt, Br. s.s., 2,876, Worsnop, 3rd Oct.—
Hainan 1st Oct., Ballast.—Order.
An Phi, Br. s.s., 956, J. Kynoch, 4th Feb.—
Saigon 31st Jan, Rice and Gen.—Wee Bin.
Sing & Co.
Ardova, Br. s.s., 2,271, W. L. Smith, 29th Jan.—
Mojito 23rd Jan, Coal.—M. B. K.
Baron Eldon, Br. s.s., 2,385, I. Ulstrom, 4th
Feb.—Karatsu 29th Jan, Coals.—D. &
Co., Ltd.
Bjornstjerne Bjornson, Nor. s.s., 736, C. Olsen,
24th Jan.—Sourabaya 14th Jan, Gen.—
Thoresen & Co.
Cebu, Am. s.s., 647, A. Yuchusagari, 1st Feb.—
Manila 27th Jan, Gen.—Order.
Chunsang, Br. s.s., 1,418, R. Cox, 1st Feb.—
Swatow 31st Jan, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Clara Jensen, Ger. s.s., 1,103, F. Bendixen,
4th Feb.—Wuhu and Chinkiang 31st Feb,
Rice and Ground-nuts.—J. & Co.
Decima, Ger. s.s., 704, H. Schlaikier, 7th Feb.—
Swatow 6th Feb, Ballast.—Order.
Dr. Hans Jurg Kier, Nor. s.s., 691, H. E.
Larsen, and Feb.—Haiphong 30th Jan,
and Hoihow 1st Feb, Gen.—A. R. M.
Easby Abbey, Br. s.s., 1,789, R. Pridoux, 30th
Jan.—Colombo 13th Jan, Coal.—Order.
Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,410, Mitchell, 1st Jan.—
Samarang 22nd Jan, Sugar.—J. M. & Co.
Glenfarg, Br. s.s., 2,350, Holman, 3rd Feb.—
Singapore 28th Jan, Gen.—McG. Bro. &
Gow.
Gregory Apar, Br. s.s., 2,061, J. G. Olifent,
6th Feb.—Calcutta 21st Jan, Penang and
Singapore 31st Jan, Gen.—D. S. & Co. Ltd.
Hohenstein, Ger. s.s., 1,275, H. Hamer, 18th
Jan.—Sourabaya 7th Jan, Sugar.—L. W.
& Co.
Indravelli, Br. s.s., 3,215, S. Collington, 28th
Nov.—Shanghai 24th Nov, Ballast.—J.
M. & Co.
Kaifong, Br. s.s., 1,024, E. Finlayson, 27th Jan.—
Hoihow 23rd Jan, Gen.—B. & S.
Katharine Park, Br. s.s., 3,075, W. H. Capp,
12th Jan.—Sasebo (Japan) 8th Jan, Light.
—G. L. & Co.
Keong Wai, Br. s.s., 1,115, W. Mullermann, 4th
Feb.—Bangkok 24th Jan, Rice.—B. & S.

Kumsang, Br. s.s., 2,077, E. J. Buller, 29th
Jan.—Calcutta 14th Jan, Penang 20th,
and Singapore 24th, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Lanschan, Br. s.s., 4,983, Sperling, 3rd Feb.—
Mojito 28th Jan, Coals.—Chinese.
Loongsang, Br. s.s., 1,092, G. S. Weigall, 6th
Feb.—Manila 3rd Feb, Gen.—J. M. &
Co.
Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,644, S. J. Payne, 2nd Feb.—
Sandakan 27th Jan, Timber and Gen.—
J. M. & Co.
Nanshan, Am. s.s., 1,343, W. D. Pridoux, 3rd
Feb.—Cavite, P.I. 1st Jan, Coal.—Order.
Orange, Nor. s.s., 1,001, Joh. Dannevig, 7th
Feb.—Bangkok 28th Jan, and Anghin
30th, Gen.—S. W. & Co.
Pitsanulok, Ger. s.s., 1,267, C. Fuchs, 4th
Feb.—Bangkok 28th Jan, Rice and Gen.—
B. & S.
Pollux, Nor. s.s., 760, C. Svendsen, 4th Feb.—
Sourabaya 24th Jan, Sugar.—Order.
Rubi, Br. s.s., 1,611, R. W. Almond, 6th Feb.—
Manila 4th Feb, Gen.—S. T. & Co.
Seaward, U.S. transport, 350, Crosby, 28th
Dec.—Manila 24th Dec.
Teao, Br. s.s., 3,346, A. Soumerville, 3rd Feb.—
Manila 31st Jan, Hemp, &c.—B. & S.
Themis, Nor. s.s., 1,209, T. Thomassen, 6th
Feb.—Kobe via Moji 1st Feb, Gen.—
Chinese.
Zoroaster, Br. s.s., 2,383, J. Ewan, 3rd Feb.—
Kuchinotzu 28th Jan, Coals.—M. B. K.

SAILING VESSELS.

Forrest Hall, Br. ship, 1,991, P. A. Logan, 14th
Jan.—New York 7th Aug, 1904, Petroleum.
—S. O. Co.
Juno, Am. sch., 742, R. M. de la Salo, 28th
Jan.—Kobe 17th Jan, and Moji 20th,
Coal.—Mr. G. C. Moxon.

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Merionethshire	Singapore	S. T. & Co	9 Feb.
Benledi	Singapore	G. L. & Co	9 Feb.
Arratoon Apai	Singapore	D. S. & Co	9 Feb.
Japan	Singapore	P. O. & Co	10 Feb.
Bengal	Singapore	P. O. & Co	10 Feb.
Emp. of Japan	Japan	C. P. R. Co	13 Feb.
P. S. S. S. S.	Sydney	M. & Co.	13 Feb.
Lausang	Singapore	J. M. & Co	14 Feb.
Zieten	Japan	M. & Co.	14 Feb.
Princess Alice	Colombo	M. & Co.	16 Feb.
Manchuria	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	16 Feb.
Atagonia	Portland	P. & A. Co	17 Mar.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

Vessels	at	Kowloon Dock
Dia	"	"
Hellas	"	"
Katharine Parke	"	"
Tsingtau	"	"
Kaifong	"	"
Hohenstein	"	"
Kansu	"	"
Shahzade	"	"
Cebu	"	"
Chun Sang	"	Cosmopolitan
Sobralense	"	Aberdeen
Tyr	"	"

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—10th January—Benledi, Charente,
Rhenania, Merionethshire, Ithaca, Sandhurst,
Knight of St. George, Kennecott, 13th Janu-
ary—Japan, Caledonia, Swast, 17th Janu-
ary—Prometheus, Scandia, Greenwich, 24th
January—Candia, Flinders, Princess Alice,
Stephan, Malacca, 27th January—Jungar,
Hohenzollern, Menzies, Montrose, 1st Febru-
ary—Oopack, Florida, Hampton, 14th Febru-
ary—Antenor, Benduck, Benhook, Trieste,
Fido Manila, Ningchow, Ulysses, Kai Dagel,
Mora, Bylgia, Ingridhörn, 7th February—
Prinz Regent Luitpold, Bratsberg, Frankfurt,
Glenesk, Sagami.
Homeward—10th January—Jason, Telamachus,
24th January—Nubia, Senagambia, 27th
January—Selidon, Survia, 1st February—
Barotse, Helene Rickmers, 4th February—
Shimosu, 4th February—Dumbea, Socotra,
Arrivals at Home—10th January—Briga-
via, Claverburn, Jason, Navona, 13th Janu-
ary—Agamemnon, Heulgen, Touraine, Preus-
sien, 17th January—Pera, 24th January—Fal-
sodon Hall, Ceylon, Prinz Eitel Friedrich, 1st
February—Dionis, Segovia, 4th February—
Albenga, Seydlitz, 7th February—Indravadi,
Manica, Calchas.

POST OFFICE.

A Mail will close for:

Macao—Per Wingchat, 9th Feb, 7.30 A.M.
Macao—Per Heungshan, 9th Feb, 1.15 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Kum-
sang, 9th Feb, 2 P.M.
Manila—Per Teao, 9th Feb, 3 P.M.
Shanghai—Per Lyeemooon, 9th Feb, 4 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk, Shuikang and Tak-
hing—Per Samui, 9th Feb, 4 P.M.
Amoy—Per Hongbee, 9th Feb, 5 P.M.
Quang-chow-wan—Per Haiching, 9th Feb,
5 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Kaukong—Per
Hongkong, 9th Feb, 5 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Anping—Per Decima,
9th Feb, 5 P.M.
Nantao—Per Taichun, 9th Feb, 5 P.M.
Sanbue—Per Hoi Fu, 9th Feb, 5 P.M.
Macao—Per Wingchat, 10th Feb, 7.30 A.M.
Macao—Per Heungshan, 10th Feb, 1.15 P.M.
Manila—Per Loongsang, 10th Feb, 3 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Kaukong—Per
Tak Hing, 10th Feb, 5 P.M.
Manila—Per Rubi, 11th Feb, 9 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tutuorin—Per
Simla, 11th Feb, 11 A.M.
Macao—Per Heungshan, 11th Feb, 1.15 P.M.
Singapore, Batavia and Sourabaya—Per
Fausang, 11th Feb, 2 P.M.
Nantao—Per Taichun, 11th Feb, 5 P.M.
Sanbue—Per Hoi Fu, 11th Feb, 5 P.M.
Shanghai—Per Hupeh, 12th Feb, 9 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per Capri,
13th Feb, 11 A.M.
Cebu and Hoihow—Per Kansu, 13th Feb,
3 P.M.
Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cook-
town, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney,
Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne,
Adelaide and Perth—Per Empire, 14th Feb,
9 A.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown,
Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart,
Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide
and Perth—Per Trinidad, 14th Feb, 3 P.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tutuorin—Per
Zieten, 15th Feb, 11 A.M.
Kuda and Sandakan—Per Mausang, 16th
Feb, 5 P.M.
Manila—Per Zafra, 18th Feb, 9 A.M.
Tientsin—Per Chikil, 28th Feb, 9 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama,
Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress
of Japan, 8th Mar., 11 A.M.
This steamer brings the parcels mails closed
in London for despatch by the all sea route
on the 5th January, 1905, and for despatch
overland on the 11th January, 1905.

VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

Atkinson, R. D. Louder, Mr.
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Beattie, Capt. and Mrs.
Brown, Col. F. L. Herbert
Brown, Mrs. L. F. O'Brien, Capt. and Mrs.
Brown, Miss Ethel O'Neill, J. I. Hough
Brown, Col. and Mrs. Parker, Mrs.
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Chichester, Major and Mrs. A. A.
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Hazelard, F. A. Thomson, Mr. and Mrs.
Holborow, Mr. W.
Hudgins, D. Turner, Miss
Jeffries, H. U. Uffel, W. von
Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Watkins, R. E., Capt.
Joseph, Major C. L. and Mrs.
Kaye, Major and Mrs. Wenborn, S. T.
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Lang, Mr. M. F.

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Dann, G. H. W.
Franklin, G. Smith, Mr. and Mrs.
Gaskell, Mr. and Mrs. Grant
Holmes, N. M. Southam, Mr. and Mrs.
Morrell, G. E. and child
Nicholls, E. A. Webb, Mr. and Mrs.
Riadore, R. N. Lieut. Montague
Commander & Mrs. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs.
and children
Smith, E. Grant

OCCIDENTAL.

Bands, F. Loias, Mr. and Mrs.
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Fries, Mr. Munro, Miss A.
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Guerin, C. N. Reichel, W.
Key, Dr. Rober, Capt. W.
Kien, L. Roth, Dr.
Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Twyne, Mrs.
and child Wynnap, Capt.

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and Mrs. Mackay
Mitchell, Mr. Thomson, Major and
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Rowe, Mrs. W. E. and Watson, Mr. and Mrs.
child W. H.
Richards, D. S. Williamson, Major F.

HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

NAME.	CLASS.	TONS.	GUNS.	I.H.P.	CAPTAIN.	LAST REPORTED AT
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1,700	4	3,000	Commander Harbord	Hongkong
Albion	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain Sydney R. Fremantle	Hongkong
Algerine	sloop	1,000	16	18,000	Reserve	Hongkong
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	16,500	Captain Charles Windham, C.V.O.	Wei-hai-wei
Andromeda	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	16,500	Captain R. Nelson O'Malley	Hongkong
Astraea	cruiser, 1st class	4,360	10	7,000	Captain Lionel G. Tulnell	Hongkong
Bramble	gunboat, 1st class	—	—	—	Reserve	Hongkong
Britomart	gunboat, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Reserve	Hongkong
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	390	—	300	Captain Hon. Stopford	Hongkong
Cherub	water tank and tug	306	6	5,700	Lieut.-Commander C. Assef	Hongkong
Fame	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain Hon. Stopford	Hongkong
Glory	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	—	Hongkong
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	—	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	1,200	14	—	Captain Shortland	At Sea
Hogue	cruiser, 1st class	1,640	—	800	Lieut. P. M. Kladore	Hongkong
Humber	storeship	3,600	8	7,000	Captain William B. Fawcett	Hongkong
Impregia	cruiser, 1st class	3,600	8	1,900	Lieut.-Commander J. A. Gregory	Hongkong
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	—	Lieut.-Commander G. B. Powell	Yangtze
Kinsin	river gunboat	85	4	800	Lieut.-Commander F. B. Noble	Hongkong
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut.-Commander F. B. Noble	Hongkong
Ocean	torpedo boat destroyer	12,950	16	13,500	Captain T. G. Greet	Hongkong
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6,300	—	Hongkong
Phenix	sloop	835	6	650	Reserve	Hongkong
Rambler	surveying-vessel	85	2	240	Commander C. E. Monroe	West River
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander Robert E. Vaughan	Hongkong
Rosario	river gunboat	85	2	240	Reserve	Hongkong
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander H. T. Aday	Hongkong
Sirius	cruiser, 2nd class	3,600	8	7,000	Captain C. H. H. Moore	Yangtze
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander Davidson	Hongkong
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6,500	Lieut. Q. Craufurd	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4,650	6	—	Commodore Dickson	Yangtze
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut.-Commander E. V. Dugmore	Singapore
Thetis	cruiser, 2nd class	3,400	8	9,000	Lieut.-Commander E. V. Dugmore	Hongkong
Tweed	coast defence gunboat	—	—	—	Captain J. A. C. Wilkinson	Hongkong
Vengeance	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6,300	—	Hongkong
Waterwitch	surveying ship	620	4	450	Lieut.-Commander Ernest C. Hardy	Hongkong
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5,900	Lieut.-Commander H. M. Wells	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Commander Hugh Somerville	Yangtze
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Commander Wason	Yangtze

* Flag of Admiral Sir Gerard U. Noel, Commander-in-Chief.

* Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Howe, C.B., C.M.G.

FRENCH MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA STATION.

	NAME.	FLAG AND DESCRIPTION.	TONS.	GUNS.	H. P.	COMMANDING OFFICERS.	LAST REPORTED
M. M.	Achéron	armoured gunboat	1,796	10	1,700	Lieut. Ferret	Saigon
Canton	Argus	river gunboat	123	—	500	Lieut. Jeannel	Canton
P. M.	—	—	140	5	150	—	Haiphong
Avalanche	—	—	—	—	150	—	Saigon
Baionnett	—	—	—	—	150	Lieut. Hue	Saigon
Caronade	—	—	140	5	150	—	Saigon
Casse-tête	—	—	140	18	1,700	Captain Prat	Saigon
Chateaufort	—	—	8,018	5	438	Lieut. Merveilleux du Vignaux	Gulf of Siam
Comète	—	—	525	4	438	Captain Allaire	Baie d'Along
D'Assas	—	—	4,000	31	9,500	Lieutenant L'Eost	Saigon
Décidée	—	—	545	10	1,000	Commander Amet	Saigon
Descartes	—	—	3,985	14	5,500	Lieut. Mère	Haiphong
Estoc	—	—	303	303	6,300	Lieut. Coton	Saigon
Francisque	—	—	303	303	303	Lieut. Jehenne	Haiphong
Fronde	—	—	350	7	20,200	Capt. Goudot	Baie d'Along
Gueydon	—	—	9,376	7	—	Lieut. Portier	Haiphong
Henri Rivière	—	—	200	6	308	Lieut. Corlour	Haiphong
Jacquin	—	—	307	307	307	Lieut. Beaussant	Haiphong
Javeline	—	—	307	7	2,200	Commander Simon	Chemulpo & S
Kersaint	—	—	1,350	—	—	Armbruster	Saigon
Lynx	—	—	9,700	12	19,607	Capt. Duval	Haiphong
Montcalm	—	—	307	7	6,300	Lieut. Prat	Haiphong
Mousquet	—	—	—	—	—	Lieut. Grelhier	Chungking
Oly	—	—	—	—	8,500	Commander Chevalier	Colombo
Pascal	—	—	4,015	27	—	Lieut. Lavissière	Toengku
Peiho	—	—	307	7	6,300	Lieut. de Reinach-Weith	Haiphong
Pistolet	—	—	—	—	—	Lieut. Glorieux	Saigon
Protée	—	—	9,437	8	6,071	Commodore C. P. M. Poidoué	Saigon
Redoutable	—	—	1,796	10	1,700	Lieut. Leball	Saigon
Sabre	—	—	10,014	38	20,000	Capt. Dupriez	Saigon
Styx	—	—	629	2	930	Capt. Guibertau	Baie d'Along
Sully	—	—	—	—	—	Lieut. Roque	Shanghai & Y
Surprise	—	—	250	6	—	Capt. Terquem	Upper Yangt
Takiang	—	—	6,150	23	4,560	Lieut. Brugnon	Saigon
Takou	—	—	123	7	500	—	Saigon
Vauban	—	—	—	—	—	—	Canton
Vigilante	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Mails.



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Captain F. R. Summers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 11th February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. *Britannia*, 6,525 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be shipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. *Macedonia*, due in London on the 25th March, 1905.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 5 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, 30th January, 1905.

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Captain Bréc, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 21st February, at 1 P.M.

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S.S. *CALÉDONIEN* 7th March.
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S.S. *TOURANE* 4th April.

L. BRIDOU,
Acting Agent.

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<i>Pléiades</i>	3,753	F. G. Purinton	" Mar. 15
<i>Shawmut</i>	9,606	W. M. Smith	" " 24
<i>Lyra</i>	4,417	G. V. Williams	" " "

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The largest, steadiest, and most comfortable steamer for Manila.

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The twin-screw s.s. *Shawmut* and *Tremont* have just been fitted with very superior accommodation for first and second class passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room.

Barber's shop and steam-laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

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Queen's Buildings,
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1905.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

A FOOK & Co.,
SHIP AND HOUSE COMPRADORES,
have this day
REMOVED
TO

No. 12, POTTINGER STREET,
(opposite their old establishment).
Hongkong, 24th November, 1904.

For Sale.

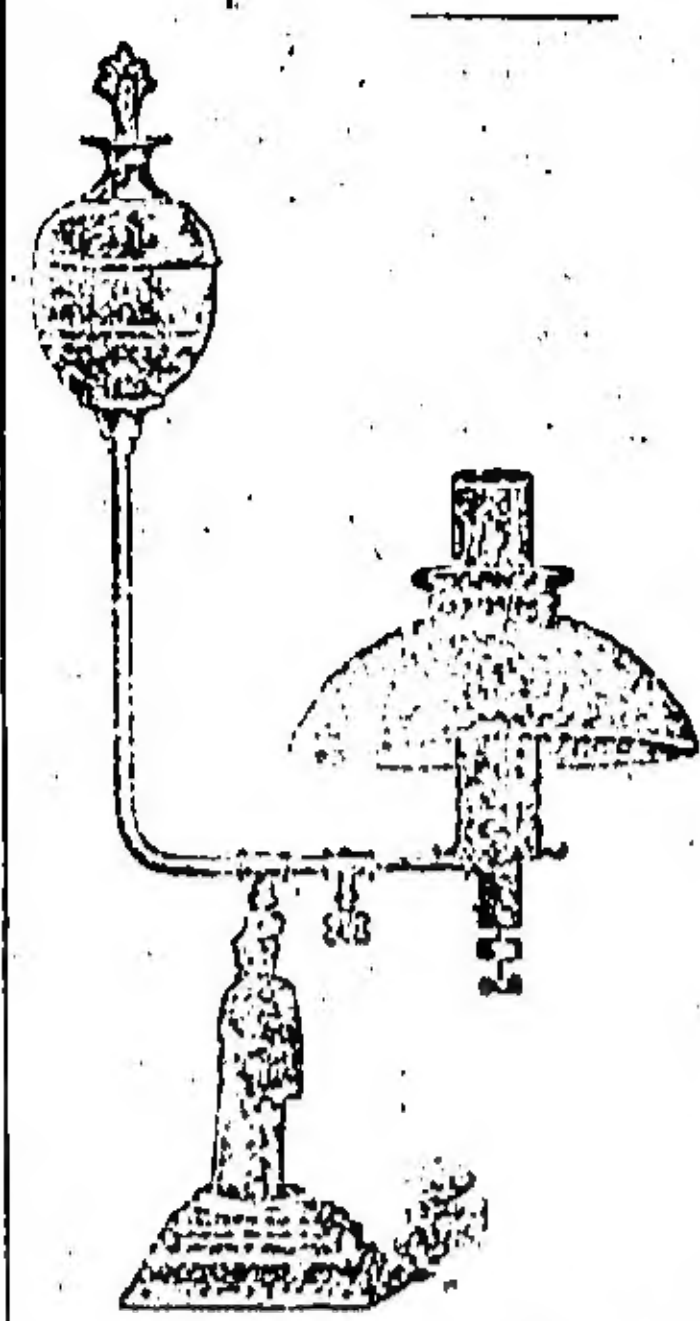
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AN ELEVEN-ROOMED HOUSE with
Dressing, Drying and Bath-room; partly
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from the Tram; fitted with superior baths and
with hot and cold water; large Kitchen;
Laundry and Servants' Quarters. Can be used
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For Particulars and Terms, apply to—
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 30th December, 1904. [197B]

FOR SALE.



INCANDESCENT,
Gasoline,
Lamps of all
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from the best
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Incandescent
Lamps, all
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Globe, Shades,
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Lamps fixed
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Naphtha of the
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TAI KWONG CO.,

56, Lyndhurst Terrace.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1904 [154]

To Let.

TO LET.

BEDROOM, furnished or unfurnished,
optional board with English family, home
comforts, healthy and central locality.

Apply—

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C/o This Paper.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1905. [218]

TO LET.

OWN No. 3, New Praya, Kennedy
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Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1904. [71]

TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE,
THE PEAK.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [70]

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"HATHERLEIGH," a detached resi-
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ROAD.

A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing
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OFFICES in course of erection, CON-
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THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1905. [69]

TO LET.

WILD DELL BUILDINGS, No. 147,
WANCHAI ROAD. Comfortable and
Airtight Flats of 2 or 3 Rooms, from \$25 inclusive
of Taxes.

And others to suit various requirements.

S. A. SETH,

Land and Estate Broker,

Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1905. [72]

TO LET.

EUROPEAN HOUSES, Nos. 2 to 4, 6 to 8
and 10 to 15, GAP ROAD, facing Race
Course, within reach of the Electric Cars,
thoroughly cleaned and colour-washed, in flats
or whole.

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Land and Estate Broker,

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1905. [73]

TO LET.

GODOWNS Nos. 100 and 101, Praya East,
with Water Frontage.

Apply to—

"VICTORIA BUILDINGS,"
Hongkong, 28th December, 1904. [197A]

TO LET.

SIX FIRST-CLASS EUROPEAN
HOUSES in Observatory Road, Tsim
Tsa Tsui, Kowloon. Each with five spacious
well-ventilated living rooms, two bath rooms,
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ters, water, gas, electric lights and bells.
Moderate Rental. Possession on or about
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ARRATON V. APCAR & Co.,
45, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1905. [104]

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
				RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.		
BANKS.							
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,000,000 \$7,000,000 \$250,000	\$1,492,554	{ Div. of £1.10/- @ exchange 1/9 15/16 } \$16.41 for first half-year 1904	5 % \$720 London £75
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£7	\$175,533 \$191,923	\$21,668	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	5 1/2 % \$38 sales
MARINE INSURANCES.							
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,400,000 \$17,739	\$150,494	\$17 for 1903	6 1/2 % \$255 buyers
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$950,000 \$151,992 \$32,366 \$371,445	Nil	\$44 for year ended 30.4.1904	7 1/2 % \$58 1/2 sales
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 800,000	Tls. 217,119	Final of 10/- making £1 for 1903	8 % Tls. 95 sellers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$1,850,000 \$20,000 \$172,749 \$393,110 \$346,773 \$700,000	\$2,078,997	\$35 for 1903	5 % \$700 sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$60	\$37,794 \$1,000,000	\$485,284	\$12 for 1902	8 % \$160
FIRE INSURANCES.							
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$70	\$172,749 \$393,110 \$346,773 \$700,000	\$329,047	\$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1902	7 1/2 % \$93
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,702,288	\$371,110	\$22 1/2 for 1902	6 1/2 % \$340 buyers
SHIPPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.							
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$63,123	\$5 for 1900 .....	... \$23
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$185,000 \$80,935 \$250,000 \$600,000 \$157,555	Nil	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	6 % \$34 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$205,000 \$100,000	\$16,362	\$14 for first half-year 1904	10 1/2 % \$26
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£10	£205,000 £100,000	£5,853	10/- for 1903 @ 1/10 5/16 = \$5.378	4 1/2 % \$124 buyers
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904	9 % Tls. 50 sales
"Do."	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904	9 % Tls. 48 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	\$4,116 \$60,000 \$15,993 \$400,000	£58,852	Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 5) for 1904	4 % 22 1/2 sales
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$21,675 \$18,000 \$130,153 Tls. 98,000 Tls. 291,614	\$1,287	{ \$1.80 & b. 40 cts } { \$0.90 & b. 20 cts. } for year ending 30.4.04	5 1/2 % \$38 \$29
Straits Steamship Company, Limited	5,000	\$100	\$100	\$18,000 \$130,153 Tls. 98,000 Tls. 291,614	\$33,648	\$5 for 2nd 1/2-year making \$13 for 1903	9 % \$140 sellers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	none	Tls. 86 1/2	Interim of Tls. 1 1/2 for 1904	10 % Tls. 30 sellers
REFINERIES.							
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$147,717	Interim of \$5 for 1904 .....	... \$222 buyers
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$73,905	\$3 for 1897 .....	... \$222 buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 1,635	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.04	4 1/2 % Tls. 54 sales
MINING.							
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	£40,000	£7,820	No. 3 of 1/6 50 cents making G. \$1 for 1904	6 % Tls. 7 1/2 sellers
Oriental Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	50,000	G. \$10	G. \$10	none	G. \$672,093	50 cents making G. \$1 for 1904	6 % Tls. 48 buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	£4,873	Dr. £4,029	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents .....	... \$34 sales
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 251,337 Fcs. 1,526,652	Fcs. 85,706	Final of Fcs. 25 making Fcs. 55 for 1903 .....	... \$490
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.							
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$70,000	\$10,517	\$3.75 for 1903	8 % \$43 sellers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown, Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,980	\$28,015	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1904	4 1/2 % \$104 1/2
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$250,000 \$25,500	\$505,471	\$6 dividend and \$2 bonus for first half- year 1904	7 1/2 % \$210
Howarth Erskine, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$100	\$60,000	.....	\$10 div. & \$5 bonus for year end. 30.6.04	7 1/2 % \$203 buyers
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	6,000	\$64	\$64	\$55,500	\$489	\$12 for 1903	4 1/2 % \$25
Riley Hargreaves & Co., Limited	6,000	\$100	\$100	\$150,000	\$40,936	\$10 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	6 1/2 % \$192 1/2
"Do."	2,750	\$100	\$100	\$150,000	\$40,936	\$2 dividend	6 1/2 % \$111 1/2
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Limited	55,200	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 900,000	Tls. 48,153	Tls. 5 interim for 1904 1/5	8 % Tls. 153 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 487,210	Tls. 22,895	Interim of Tls. 4 for 1904	8 1/2 % Tls. 137 1/2 buyer
Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited	37,000	\$100	\$100	\$2,100,000	\$43,732	\$6 for first half year 1904	3 1/2 % \$375 sales
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 6,000	Tls. 1,760	Tls. 18 for 1903	6 1/2 % Tls. 190
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDING.							
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	\$9,989	\$2 1/2 for year ended 30.6.1904	9 % \$27 sales
Astor House Hotel, Limited (Tientsin)	2,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 41,000	Tls. 655	Interim of Tls. 4	6 % Tls. 150 sellers
China Land and Finance Company, Limited	6,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	.....	Interim of Tls. 2 .....	... Tls. 55
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$100,000 \$11,824 \$20,000	\$11,668	\$5 for first half-year 1904	7 1/2 % \$141 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$250,000	\$37,875	Final of \$6 making \$12 for 1904	9 % \$134 sales
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited (Shanghai)	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 13,986	Tls. 680	Tls. 0.87 1/2 for the year ending 31.3.1904	4 1/2 % Tls. 19 buyers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$300,607 \$50,000	\$9,177	90 cents for 1903	7 1/2 % \$13 sales
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	none	\$377	\$3 for 1904	8 % \$37 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 800,000 Tls. 150,000 Tls. 17,444	Tls. 37,634	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	7 % Tls. 116 buyers
Tientsin Hotel des Colonies, Limited	1,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 2,132	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 .....	... Tls. 44 buyers
Tientsin Land Investment Company, Limited	7,726	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 54,626	Tls. 325	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	7 % Tls. 125 sales
Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Company, Limited	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	none	Tls. 5,150	None .....	... Tls. 12 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	Tls. 1,247	Final of \$1.70 making \$1.20 for 1904	5 1/2 % \$57
COTTON MILLS.							
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 11,655	Tls. 4 for year ended 31.10.1903	17 1/2 % Tls. 23 sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$22,862	50 cents for the year ending 31.7.04	3 1/2 % \$13 sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 50,000 Tls. 35,327	Tls. 13,629	Interim of 3 % a/c 1898 .....	... Tls. 24 buyers
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 15,500	Interim of 4 % a/c 1898 on 6,000 shares .....	... Tls. 35
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 5,658	Tls. 26,389	4 % for 1897 .....	... Tls. 150
CIGARS AND TOBACCO COS.							
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$200	\$200	\$779	nil	\$125 for year ending 30.6.1900 .....	... \$100 buyers
Philippine Company, Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10	none	.....	First year .....	... \$9 1/2
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,091	Interim of Tls. 3	9 % Tls. 67 buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.							
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$25,000 \$25,000	\$2,883	Interim of 50 cents for 1904	8 % \$12 1/2 sales
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	none	£161	6d. per share for 1903	5 % \$5 1/2
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$5,500	\$596	\$3 for 1903	7 1/2 % \$40 sellers
Central Stores, Limited	6,000	\$15	\$12	\$20,000	\$1,253	Interim of \$1.20 for 1904	11 1/2 % \$21 sellers
"Do."	123	\$15	\$7 1/2	.....	.....	None .....	... \$100
"Do."	24,000	\$12	\$12	.....	.....	First year .....	... \$5 1/2 sales
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Nil.	60 cents for 1903	4 1/2 % \$15
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,942	Tls. 6 for 1903	8 % Tls. 74 sales
China Light and Power Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$5,739	None .....	... \$10
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$8,000	\$1,581	80 cents for 1904	9 % \$9 sellers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	.....	.....	\$14 for year ending 31.7.1903 .....	... \$12 buyers
E. L. Mondon, Limited	7,700	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 154,318	Tls. 5 for 1902 .....	... Tls. 10 buyers
Fraser and Neave, Limited	4,500	\$50	\$50	\$112,500	\$2,706	\$5 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	7 1/2 % \$100
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$350,000	\$34,115	\$1.50 for 1903	5 % \$28 1/2
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$186,000	\$13,104	Interim of \$1	14 % \$21 1/2 buyers
Hongkong & China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	£10	£10	£23,109 £3,000	£7,625	£1 div. and 2/- bonus for 1903	7 1/2 % \$160 sales
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,747	{ \$1.00 } { 50 cents } for year ending 30.4.1904	6 1/2 % \$15 buyers
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$50,000	\$2,795	\$15 for year ending 30.11.1904	5 1/2 % \$265 sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$35,000	\$8,844	Interim of \$4 for 1904	6 % \$255 buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000	\$8,395	\$10 for 1903	6 1/2 % \$155 buyers
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$2,500	\$299	Final of 70 cts. and 50 cts. bonus making \$1.20 for the year ended 30.9.04	9 1/2 % \$20
Katz Brothers, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$375,000	.....	\$13 for 1903	9 1/2 % \$135 buyers
Lane, Crawford & Co., Limited (Shanghai)	2,500	\$100	\$100	none	\$21,582	Interim of \$5	8 1/2 % \$145
Maatschappij tot Mijn- en Landbouw- exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 528,210 Tls. 19,405	Tls. 35,849	4th quarterly of Tls. 5, paid 15.12.04 making in all Tls. 35, for 1904	13 % Tls. 277 1/2 sales
Maynard and Company, Limited	3,400	\$10	\$10	none	\$803	\$2 for year ending 31.10.1903	7 1/2 % \$27 buyers
S. Moutrie & Company, Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	.....	\$832	Final of \$3 making \$5 for the year ending 30.6.04	9 % \$55 sales
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$50	\$50	None	Dr. \$5,537	None .....	... \$50
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	16,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000 Tls. 108,172	Tls. 7,548	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for 1904	8 % Tls. 105 sales
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Company, Limited	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45,000	Tls. 10,247	Tls. 5 for 1903	5 1/2 % Tls. 88 sales
Shanghai Tulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 10,000	Tls. 3,288	Interim of Tls. 6 for 1904	7 1/2 % Tls. 155 sales
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	7,000	£20	£20	Tls. 140,000	Tls. 7,169	Interim of 15/- for 1904	6 1/2 % Tls. 400 buyers
Singapore Dispensary, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$60,000	\$800	\$5 for year ended 31.7.1903	6 % \$25 nominal
South China Morning Post, Limited	5,000	\$5	\$5	none	Dr. \$39,020	60 cents for year ended 31.5.04	8 1/2 % \$7
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	10,000	\$5	\$5	none	\$3,644	First year	8 1/2 % \$4 buyers
Straits Ice Company, Limited	2,000	\$100	\$100	\$45,000	.....	\$7 1/2 for second half year 1903	9 1/2 % \$160 sales
Straits Trading Company, Limited	250,000	\$10	\$10	\$650,000	\$83,403	\$1 div. and 25 cents bonus for half year ended 30.3.1904	6 1/2 % \$39 buyers
Tientsin Native City Waterworks Company, Ltd.	2,941	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 413	Tls. 2 for half year .....	... T.Tls. 110
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	T.Tls. 100	T.Tls. 100	Tls. 15,259	Tls. 667	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 8 for 1903/4	6 1/2 % T.Tls. 13
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$180	90 cents } \$20.70 } for year ending 31.5.1904	9 1/2 % \$9 1/2 buyers
"Do."	100	\$10	\$10	.....	.....	\$1 for 1903	16 1/2 % \$180 buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,802	\$1,042	Final of 70 cents making \$1.20 for the year ending 30.6.1904	9 1/2 % \$12 1/2 sales
William Powell, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$3,000	\$588	.....	... \$12 1/2 sales